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SUBJECT: BERLIN STOCKPILE - PRESS GUIDANCE

REFS: (A) USBER 1253; (B) BONN 4453 (C) STATE 167

1. THE FRG REP TO THE BONN GROUP (HENZE) HAS PROVIDED US WITH PROPOSED FRG CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE IN CASE THE PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE BERLIN STOCKPILE BECOME PUBLIC. THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT THIS WAS ONE OF THE CONDITIONS THE DEPARTMENT SET FOR APPROVING THE CHANGES. WITH MINOR AMENDMENTS, THE PRESS GUIDANCE WAS ACCEPTED AD REF BY THE BONN GROUP AND IS AS FOLLOWS:

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I. IT IS PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE THAT, SINCE THE BERLIN BLOCKADE, CONTINGENCY MEASURES HAVE BEEN TAKEN WHICH ARE BASED UPON THE EXPERIENCES OF THAT TIME AND WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO ENSURE THE CONTINUED PROVISIONING OF BERLIN AND ITS INHABITANTS EVEN IN THE EVENT OF DISTURBANCES. OVER THE SPAN OF 30 YEARS, OF COURSE, THESE MEASURES HAVE HAD TO BE ADAPTED AGAIN AND AGAIN, SECRET

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NOT ONLY TO THE CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES AND POSSIBILITIES OF BERLIN AND ITS CITIZENS, BUT ALSO TO THEIR CHANGING REQUIREMENTS. THE PRESENT STOCKPILING PROGRAM IN BERLIN IS UNDERGOING A PHASE OF RESTRUCTURING RECENTLY INITIATED WITH THE CONSENT OF THE THREE ALLIED PROTECTING POWERS AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THE CHANGES IN NO WAY ADVERSELY AFFECT

THE ABILITY TO SUPPLY THE NEEDS OF BERLIN IN THE EVENT THIS SHOULD PROVE NECESSARY. THE GOALS OF THE PROGRAM REMAIN THE SAME, BUT THE INSIGHTS GAINED OVER THE YEARS AND INCORPORATED IN THE PRESENT RESTRUCTURING SHOULD SERVE TO INCREASE ITS EFFECTIVENESS.

II. IN THIS REGARD A REDUCTION IN STOCKPILE REQUIRE-MENTS FOR SOME TYPES OF GOODS IS FORESEEN; FOR SEVERAL OTHERS, INCREASES ARE PLANNED. FOR OBVIOUS REASONS DETAILS CANNOT BE MADE PUBLIC.

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2. ACTION REQUESTED: APPROVAL OF PRESS GUIDANCE. CASH

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